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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due dated April 10, 2007 in the above-referenced application, applicant is submitting a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1,114 simultaneously herewith, together with a fee for said RCE. The instant PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT is being filed as the "submission" related to said RCE in which the application is NOT amended but an explanation is provided in its REMARKS section regarding an Information Disclosure Statement, which is being submitted herewith: